

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 9982**
Akira KABESHITA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006_0163A
Serial No. 10/568,501 : Group Art Unit 3652
Filed February 16, 2006 : Examiner Charles A. Fox

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR REMOVING
SEMICONDUCTOR CHIP

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of January 21, 2009, Applicants hereby elect Group II, which is drawn to a method of feeding chips and is embodied by claims 12-16 and 18.

Applicants note that claim 17 is a product claim and should properly be grouped with Group I. Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected group is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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